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## COMMUNICATION REGARDING RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

This submission is a follow up to the Response to The Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application - Filing Date Granted, mailed September 27, 2001 ("Notice"), which was filed on December 14, 2001. On December 14, 2001, Applicants submitted the following:

- 1. Copy of the Notice;
- 2. Response to the Notice along with Declarations and Powers of Attorney for the named inventors.
- 3. Petition for Extension of Time (One month);
- 4. Fee Transmittal for FY 2002;
- 5. Credit Card Payment form.

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Although the copy of the Notice, the declarations and the powers of attorney recite the correct Application Number, i.e. 09/928,614, the other papers (namely, the Response, Petition for Extension of Time, Fee Transmittal, and Credit Card Payment) form incorrectly recite Application Number 09/935,943. The error was inadvertent. The papers should have recited Application Number 09/928,614. Applicants hereby request entry of the aforementioned papers into the record for Application Number 09/928,614. The undersigned notified the Office of the inadvertent error on December 31, 2001, at which time the Office indicated that the papers would be matched with the appropriate file.

As follow-up to the telephone conference, Applicants submit herewith the corrected versions of the papers (namely, the Response, Petition for Extension of Time, Fee Transmittal, and Credit Card Payment form), as well as copies of the as-filed declarations and powers of attorney, and request entry of these papers into the record of Application No. 09/928,614. The undersigned thanks the Office for the telephone consultation and guidance regarding this matter. If any additional information is needed, the Office is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

It is not believed that any further extension of time is required, as the initial response was fully responsive to the Notice. However, if the Office believes that an extension of time is required, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc. If there are any additional fees required for maintaining the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge such fees to Account No. 50-1744.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

The Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application - Filing Date Granted, mailed September 27, 2001 (a copy of which is enclosed) has a shortened statutory time set to expire on November 27, 2001. Enclosed herewith is a request for a one-month extension of time to extend the time for responding to December 27, 2001. Also enclosed is authorization to charge the fee of \$110 for the extension to Applicants credit card.

In response to the Notice, Applicants submit an original or copy of a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for each named inventor. Please charge Applicants' Credit Card in the amount of \$130. A Credit Card Payment Form is enclosed for fee purposes.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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